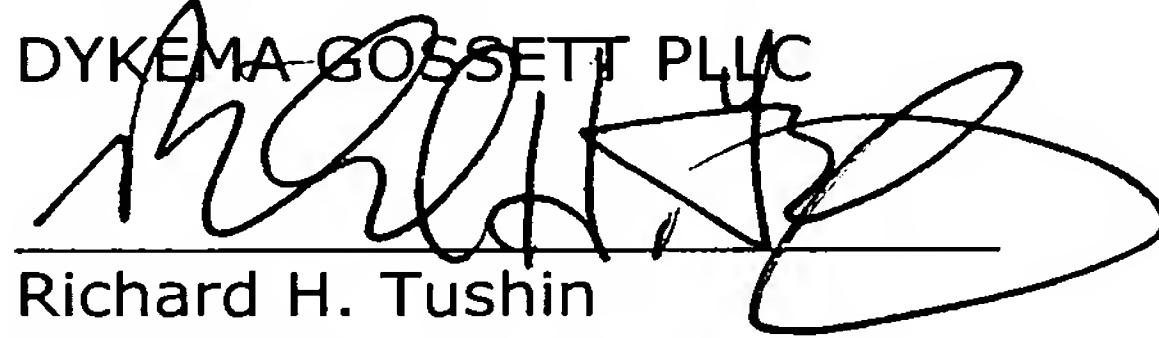


REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment the claims 1-24 have been amended to better conform to U.S. practice. Entry is requested.

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